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**Title: Reversible birefringence suggests a role for molecular self-assembly in forisome contractility**

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...suggesting that they might be utilized as internal markers of flow direction. The diameter of **forisomes** in the resting state correlated with the diameter of their sieve elements, supporting the idea that radial expansion of **forisomes** is the geometric basis of reversible sieve tube plugging. Comparison of the present results regarding **forisome** geometry in situ with previously published data on **forisome** reactivity in vitro makes it questionable, however, whether **forisomes** are capable of completely sealing sieve tubes in *V. faba* leaves.

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